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subject if it is o	ed certai t U.S. pa deemed	in info atent mate	ce with the duty of disclosure proprint or mation which the Examiner mate application. It is requested that the rial to the examination of the subsequence of the sub	y consider material to the Examiner make thing it is application.	the examination of the s information of record	
1.	Enclosi	ures a	accompanying this Information D	isclosure Statement a	re.	
	1a. 1b. 1c.	\boxtimes	Form PTO-1449. Copies of IDS citations. An English language copy of se application or a PCT Internation		counterpart foreign	
	1d.		English language translation (co	omplete or relevant po	rtion(s)) attached to	
	1e.		each non-English language pub Explanations of Relevancy of Re	eferences (ATTACHM		
	1f.		providing a concise explanation List of Copending Applications (
	1g.		List of Additional Submitted Doo	cuments (ATTACHME)	NT 1(g), hereto).	
2.] This	Inform	nation Disclosure Statement is fi	•	97(b):	
	2a.	П	(Check either Item 2a Within three months of the filing	•	olication other than a	
		_	Continued Prosecution Applicat	ion under § 1.53(d);		
	2b.	니 _	Within three months of the date § 1.491 in an international applie	cation.		
	2c. 2d.		Before the mailing of a first Office Before the mailing of a first Office Continued Examination under §	ce Action after the filing		

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3.		This Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 CFR § 1.97(c) after the period specified in paragraph 2 above but before the mailing date of any of a Final Office Action under § 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under § 1.311 or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, AND				
			(Check either Item 3a or 3b; Item 3b to be checked if any reference known for more than 3 months)			
		3a. ⊠ 3b. □	The §1.97(e) Statement in Item 5 below is applicable; OR The \$180.00 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is: enclosed.			
			to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-3935.			
4.			mation Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 CFR §1.97(d) after the period in paragraph 3 above, but on or before payment of the Issue Fee, AND			
		4a. 🗌 4b. 🔲	The § 1.97(e) Statement in Item 5 below is applicable; AND The \$180.00 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is: enclosed.			
			to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-3935.			
5.	\boxtimes	Statement under § 1.97(e) (applicable if Item 3a or Item 4a is checked) (Check either Item 5a or 5b)				
		5a. 🛚	In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(e)(1), it is stated that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.			
		5b.	In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(e)(2), it is stated that no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was known by any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.			
6.		This is a o	continuation/divisional/continuation-in-part application under 37 CFR §			
			(Check appropriate Items 6a and/or 6b)			
		6a. 🗌	Copies of the publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 which were previously cited in prior application Serial No, filed on, and which is relied on for an earlier effective filing date for the subject application under 35 U.S.C. § 120, have been omitted pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(d).			
		6b. 🗌	Copies of the publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 which were not previously cited in prior application Serial No, filed on, and which is relied on for an earlier effective filing date for the subject application under 35 U.S.C. § 120, are provided berewith			

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7.		This is a continuation/divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) or a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114.				
		7a. 🗌	(Check either Item 7a or 7b) The Issue Fee has not been paid.			
		7b. 🗍	A Petition to Withdraw from issue under 37 CFR § 1.313(c) is filed concurrently herewith or has been granted. A continuation/divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) or a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114, after payment of the Issue Fee, is proper in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.53(d)(1)(ii) or 37 CFR 1.114(a), respectively.			
8.		This is a	Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.			
			(Check either Item 8a or 8b)			
		8a. 🗌	This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(f) supplements the Information Disclosure Statement filed on A bona fide attempt was made to comply with 37 CFR § 1.98, but inadvertent omissions were made. These omissions have been corrected herein. Accordingly, additional time is requested so that this Supplemental IDS can be considered as if properly filed on			
		8b. 🗌	This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is timely filed within one (1) month of the Notice under 37 CFR § 1.97 and 1.98, mailed			
9.	☐ In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.98, a concise explanation of what is presently understood to be the relevance of each non-English language publication is:					
			(Check appropriate Items 9a, 9b, 9c and/or 9d)			
		9a. 🗌	satisfied because all non-English language publications were cited on the enclosed "English language version of the search report or action which indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office". (See MPEP § 609, Minimum Requirements for an Information Disclosure Statement, Part A(3): Concise Explanation of Relevance, 8th Ed.) set forth in the application.			
		9b. 9c.	satisfied because an English language translation (complete or relevant portion(s)) is attached to each non-English language publication.			
		9d. 🗌	enclosed as Attachment 1(e), hereto.			
10.	be th	e, material an search	on is made that the information cited in this Statement is, or is considered to to patentability nor a representation that a search has been made (other report(s) from a counterpart foreign application or a PCT International ort, if submitted herewith). 37 CFR §§ 1.97(g) and (h).			

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11. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17 for this Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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